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SUBJECT: VISA ISSUANCE TO BUSINESS VISITORS

1. IN VIEW OF INTER-AGENCY DISCUSSIONS SOON TO TAKE PLACE REGARDING CONTROL OF SOVIET AND EAST EUROPEAN (EXCLUDING YUGOSLAVIA) BUSINESS VISITORS (B-1) POSTS ARE REQUESTED TO RESPOND TO FOLLOWING QUESTIONS BY JULY 15. (QUESTIONS APPLY TO CURRENT PROCEDURES).

(A) WHAT IS AVERAGE TIME BETWEEN SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FOR BUSINESS VISA AND REQUESTED ENTRY TO U.S.? MINIMUM TIME? PROPORTION SUBMITTED THREE WEEKS PRIOR TO REQUESTED ENTRY?

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(B) WHAT IS AVERAGE TIME BETWEEN RECEIPT OF APPLICATION
AND ISSUANCE OF BUSINESS VISAS? MINIMUM TIME?

(C) WHAT PROPORTION OF BUSINESS VISAS IS ISSUED WITH
BASIS?

(D) SOME INDICATION OF TYPICAL OR NORMAL DOCUMENTATION
USED TO SUPPORT VISA APPLICATION (I.E. LETTER OF INVITATION
FROM U.S. FIRM, AFFIDAVIT FROM MINISTRY OF FOREIGN
TRADE)).

2. POSTS NEED NOT PROVIDE DETAILED DATA OR PRECISE
CALCULATIONS. DEPARTMENT IS INTERESTED MAINLY IN OBTAIN-
ING GENERAL PICTURE OF TIME ELEMENT INVOLVED IN ISSUANCE
AND BETTER IDEA OF POST PROCEDURES. KISSINGER

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